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RESPONSE TO 12/14/2006 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 14, 2006, Applicants' attorney respectfully offers the following Remarks and Amendments to the Claims. If any fees for the accompanying response are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 502190.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.